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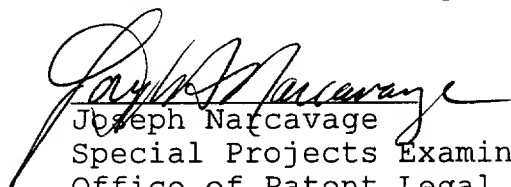
This is in response to the letter of March 23, 2001, requesting clarification of the content of certain papers in the reissue application file. This letter has been forwarded to the Office of Patent Legal Administration for consideration.

Applicants allege in their letter that a number of papers (entitled "Schedule 1: Vysis, Inc. - US and Foreign Patents/Applications") were mischaracterized by the Office as part of the original drawings submitted in the reissue application, rather than as part of the assignment documentation accompanying the reissue filing.

As per applicants' request, the above-described papers will be separated from the drawings in the file and placed together with the assignment documents.

The file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for further examination.

For further information or comments on this letter, please contact the undersigned at (703) 305-1795.


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